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Ms. Millicent Canady, Paralegal Specialist
United States Patent and Trademark Office
Trademark Trial and Appeal Board
PO Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Re: Signal Share v. Amy Gurvey Trademark Opp. No. 91206495

Dear Ms. Canady:

On February 2, 2012, Applicant pro se, Amy R. Gurvey, received a copy of a letter from your office noticing that Plaintiff's application for an extension of time to retain new trademark counsel for this proceeding until November 18, 2013 was granted. The letter, dated January 2, 2014, required Plaintiff to notice the TTAB within twenty days if she intends to be represented by counsel in this proceeding. Plaintiff did not receive the Court's letter, she noticed the Court accordingly after seeing the order on the TTAB website that she intended to be represented, and the order was kindly sent again by the USPTO TTAC at the end of January.

Please be advised that Plaintiff intends to be represented by an attorney in this proceeding.

Please be further advised that Plaintiff has not been able to retain counsel in the requested time because of the continuing, contumacious failure of Plaintiff's previous attorney, Charles Ruggiero, Esq. of the firm of Ohlandt, Greeley, Ruggiero & Perle, LLP. to return all Applicant's non-public files.

Applicant previously advised the Court that Charles Ruggiero, Esq. was retained in June 2012 for patent prosecution work only. Mr. Ruggiero accepted a substantial retainer for patent work; but was never retained or authorized to perform trademark work of any kind. Mr. Ruggiero sent Plaintiff patent powers of attorney pertaining to several of her pending patents applications in June, 2012; and never did the work, converting Applicant's funds. In response to Applicant's request and the request of Plaintiff's new patent counsel, Alozie Etufugh, Esq., Mr. Ruggiero has improperly retained the non-public files, requiring Plaintiff to file a grievance with the OED and to move to compel their production by the SDNY.

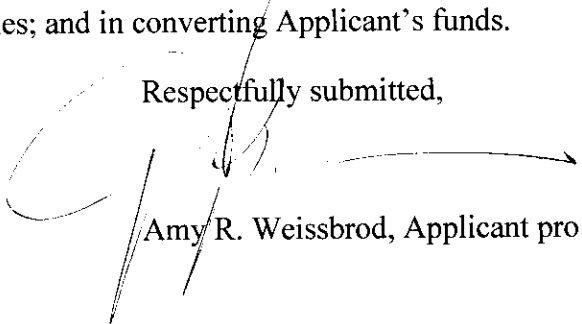
The matter is complicated because upon belief, Applicant's issued US patents and the continuation patent applications for which Mr. Ruggiero was retained, are being infringed by the

instant trademark opposer, Signal Share. Applicant therefore filed for a subpoena with SDNY and a decision has not been rendered by the Federal Court on that motion.

The attorneys Applicant has since contacted for trademark representation in this proceeding are concerned about Mr. Ruggiero's bad faith and the overlapping infringement issues against Signal Share.

Applicant therefore respectfully requests 60 additional days to retain new trademark counsel. The USPTO OED was noticed about Mr. Ruggiero's bad faith and breach of retainer in failing to return applicant's non-public files; and in converting Applicant's funds.

Respectfully submitted,



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